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Application No. 10/085,649

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In re

Patent Application of

Andrew J. Whitton, et al.

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Confirmation No.: 8642

Filed: February 26, 2002

Examiner: Ryan M. Flandro

"SHAFT ASSEMBLY SAFETY
MECHANISM"

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RESUBMISSION OF OATH/DECLARATION

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Sir:

In the September 29, 2004 Notice of Allowance, the examiner objected to the Oath/Declaration submitted on May 6, 2002 as not including the signatures of all of the inventors. Applicants hereby resubmit a copy of the original Oath/Declaration as filed February 26, 2002, which is signed by all inventors. The portion of the Oath/Declaration submitted on May 6, 2002 was submitted in conjunction with a Request to Correct the Filing Receipt to show the correct residence of inventor Harry Heilemann. Applicants respectfully submit that the Oath/Declaration submitted on February 26, 2002, and resubmitted herewith, is complete.

If the examiner requires anything further, it is respectfully requested that the examiner get in contact with the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

The reasons set forth by the Examiner refer only to some of the features in the independent claims, and are not the only reasons that all of the claims are allowable. The independent claims may include additional patentable features or combinations of features not mentioned by the Examiner. Additionally, each of the dependent claims may include additional patentable features or combinations of features not mentioned by the Examiner.

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